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Jeet



Babli



**It was a holiday.
Jeet and Babli were playing since morning.**



**They played many games.
Both of them skipped the rope.**



**Then they played hide and seek.
After that they played *Gilli-Danda*.**



**Babli asked to play cricket.
Jeet got ready to throw the ball.**



**Jeet threw the ball.
Babli swung the bat hard.**



**The ball went into Mohit's courtyard.
Mohit's house was locked.**



**Jeet and Babli's game stopped.
Babli said she knew how to make a ball.**



**She asked Jeet to get a few rags, paper and plastic.
Babli too started to look for these.**



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Both of them gathered a lot of rags and plastic bags. Babli also brought a piece of string.



**Babli rolled everything together to make a ball.
Then she tied the ball with a string.**



**The ball was to their liking.
The game started again.**



**This time Babli picked the ball.
Jeet picked the bat.**



**Babli threw the ball.
Jeet swung the bat hard.**

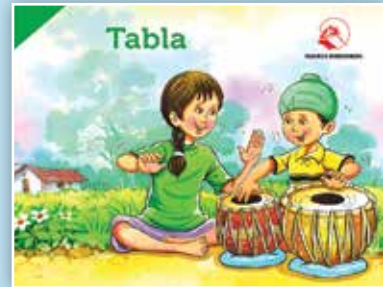
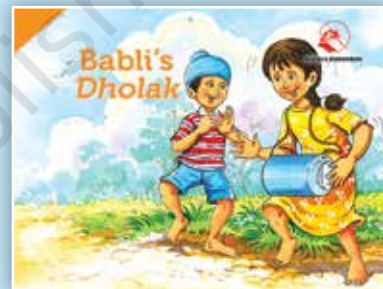
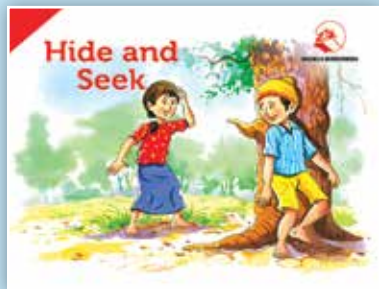


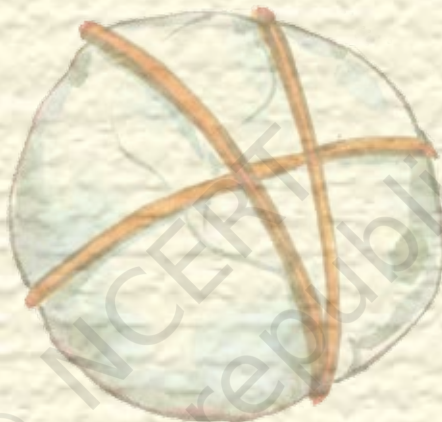
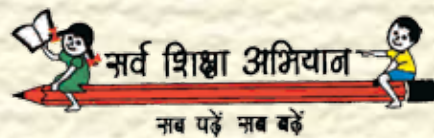
**The ball opened up and scattered in the air.
Babli jumped and caught a piece of rag.**



Babli jumped and shouted Out-Out!! She took the rag in her hands and ran shouting Out-Out!

Stories of Jeet and Babli





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